

SCRAMBLE FOR "ANTI-CLINE" STOCK RICH OIL STRIKE THOUGHT PROBABLE

Company Owns 6,000 Acres in Coming New Field—Only \$50,000 Capital Stock—Two Wells Now Drilling and Third to Start July 5th.

3,000-ACRE ANTICLINE LEASE AND 3,000 ACRES OTHER LEASES MAY BE WORTH MILLIONS

One Big Company Spends \$10,000 for Leases Surrounding Anticline—Stephens County Acreage in Demand—Small Investors in Anticline Company May Cash In Big.

High up above the din and noise of a busy street, in a modest office on the top floor of Oklahoma City's tallest office building, sits a rotund, smiling, good natured and very busy man.

As the writer entered his office the other day he glanced up from a letter he had just opened, and looking over the tops of his spectacles, he said: "Here's the twenty-third remittance for Big Anticline stock from the morning's mail. This man came into the office ten days ago, saying he guessed he'd invest a little in some of our stock. How much do you want, said I, getting ready to fill out about a \$25 certificate. Well, said he, I guess you can make it about \$100 this time. A little later I may take out some more. So here's his letter this morning with a check for \$300 more.

Every mail brings money nowadays—now that we have proved we have a good thing. People were a little dubious at the start when all we had was a 3,000-acre lease on the Anticline I found in Stephens county. And you can just take it from me, continued Conway, that every mother's son who holds a little batch of stock in this company is going to be mighty glad of

his purchase within a few weeks, or my judgment is all wrong.

You can't tell me that people like the Corsicana, the Mountain State and other companies will send their scouts and geologists down there, spending thousands of dollars for acreage all around our leases, unless we have something good. The big operators don't spend much money foolishly on leases, and six geologists have recently inspected our leases, all with the same splendid report.

I believe, as firmly as I ever believed anything in my life, that one of the biggest strikes Oklahoma has yet known is going to be made in Stephens county. You never saw such feverish leasing, such excitement, such an atmosphere of suppressed expectancy in any other field before the big strike was announced.

Thus it is that Conway, after long days of struggle and delay which is always the penalty of the pioneer, is beginning to realize the success of a big idea. With success, and a probable big one, almost in sight for the company, money is pouring into the treasury which will supply funds to rush the completion of well number one and two and to start three and four on this and the company's three other one thousand acre leases in favored Stephens county locations.

The anticline well has an interesting and romantic history. The company which is drilling it was organized by Conway, who has the unique record of never having drilled a dry hole and who prior to this, organized two other oil companies, one of which paid 40 percent dividends during eighteen months and sold its stock at \$6 for \$1; the other which was so successful that its stock sold at \$2 for \$1 within sixty days.

Conway believed just after the Healdton strike that another great pool of oil lay somewhere in the vicinity. With a geologist he carefully surveyed the territory in Stephens county, discovering the "big anticline," or in other words, a great winding ridge of rock, hidden deep underground but indicated by the dip in the outcropping rock.

Anticlines in the oil districts according to geologists, almost invariably form a reservoir for oil. This one is a monster two miles wide and six miles long with a pronounced dome. Oil seeping from wells and springs nearby and the crossing of prominent oil lines in addition to the anticline made it look so good that Conway leased every acre he could get—3,000 in all.

He secured ample funds from stock sales to small investors to drill a well to the 1,000-foot depth where a 4,500,000-foot flow of gas was struck. Then things began to happen. Flattering offers were made by gas franchise owners, but the provisions were such that Conway refused to accept. Firmly convinced that oil in gusher quantities lay just a little deeper, he hung on, refusing to allow control to pass from the small stockholders. The gas was cased off and the drill sunk deeper. Four splendid showings of oil and three of gas have been found and it begins to look as if the holders of "Anticline" stock are going to hear big news soon.

This seems to be forcibly substantiated by the fact that nearly every big producing company in the state has recently bought acreage around the 3,000 acres leased by the Big Anticline; the Corsicana Oil company has 5,000 acres and the Mountain State 6,000. The "Anticline" company, however, is well fortified to reap the full reward of its effort, for its 3,000 acres extend in all directions from its No. 1 well.

Not only this, but Conway has leased 1,000 additional acres, west of Marlow, and is now down 525 feet with well No. 2 on that lease. Six geologists have recently examined the property around this well, all of whom report a fine geological showing. The largest producing company in the state considers the prospects so good here that they recently spent \$10,000 for leases.

Recently Conway closed a deal for a lease on another thousand acres near Doyle and a fourth tract of about the same size northeast of Lawton. Both of these localities are very active and both have ideal geological indications. This makes in all, including the original 3,000-acre Anticline lease, approximate-

ly 6,000 acres of choice leases in favored Stephens county spots. The company is capitalized at only \$50,000—less than \$10 per acre. It is not likely that this acreage could be duplicated for \$50,000 or \$10 per share.

When leases have sold in Stephens county as high as \$250 per acre on geological reports alone, it would appear that this company is scheduled for tremendous success.

Once a big well is struck lease prices will jump sky high. Even at \$250 an acre, either of its 1,000 acre tracts would be worth \$250,000. At \$500 or \$1,000 an acre, which is yet a conservative price, a half million or a million would be the reward, to say nothing of profits from oil. If all four leases prove good this company may be paying the \$10, \$25 and \$50 investors \$100 for \$1.

When the first gas was struck, Conway firmly determined to sell no more stock to outsiders, realizing that the smaller the amount in earning force the greater the dividends for the original investors. Owing to some misfortunes in drilling and great expense which was not anticipated in finishing the well and the emergency which has arisen, requiring cash to close the leases on the acreage at Doyle and Lawton, a few thousand additional shares of treasury stock will be sold. The announcement that it is to be offered at par—\$1 per share is bringing quick response from scores of people who jump at the chance to get in so cheaply when the drill is on the verge of a probable gusher strike.

Regarding the proposition, Mr. Conway says: "It is foolish, perhaps, to offer our stock at par. Every indication thus far looks like it will be a big new oil field. Leases selling all around us at prices that should make our acreage worth more than our entire capital stock—a gas strike that alone should insure all stockholders against any loss—our additional leases as good if not better—why should we sell stock at par? Cash is the answer—quick action—cash to push the five wells faster.

Remember, well No. 1, west of Duncan is now down 1,850 feet; we have



the casing fast in this well at present and are having some trouble loosening it; well No. 3 west of Marlow is down 525 feet. Erection on the derrick for the Doyle location well commenced on July 5. This offer is made to make possible early drilling on our other leases.

Everyone in Oklahoma has heard more or less of the wonder tales of riches made from small investments in oil. Such instances as the Lucile Oil company which made \$16,000 for \$100 investments; the Coline company which made \$83,000 on \$175; the Central Oil company which made \$45,000 on \$250 investments; the Central Oil company which made \$100 investors \$4,500; the Healdton Oil and Gas company which paid one of several dividends during one year of 600 percent and on down through the scores of examples which might be quoted.

How we Oklahomans, who see such examples all around us every day, can fail to grasp the opportunities offered is a mystery. From every phase, the Big Anticline looks like a winner. One well with a tremendous flow of gas as a certainty—with another well down to the 500 foot mark—with three of the choicest 1,000-acre leases in Stephens county yet to develop—with acreage all over this section and particularly around the Anticline selling rapidly at good prices to those who are oil wise; it certainly looks like something big is about due and the man with Big Anticline stock, even if it be only \$10, \$25, \$50 or \$100 worth, is likely to thank his lucky stars a few weeks hence.

The company is capitalized at only \$50,000, which is very low as oil companies go and even if all this is sold the pro rata share of profits will be large if success comes. What remains of the stock is still being sold at \$1 per share or just par value. The man who invests within the next few days gets just as much as the people who bought when the company had only one lease and a prospect, before the drill was started. All shareholders own an interest in everything the company now owns or may ever own and are entitled to a pro rata share in the profits and to vote in the company's affairs.

In the early stages of the Big Anticline Company there were times when



Conway beseeched original investors to rally to the support of the company when money was needed badly. Today it is a different story. With money rolling in on each mail and prospects looking better every hour, there is little need for parley with the doubters. At the present rate it will take only a short time more to complete the drilling fund required for the additional development.

Conway says: "If you want Big Anticline shares, you haven't an hour to lose. Remittances bearing the earliest postmark will be given first consideration, if the allotment of stock offered is oversold. If you ever expect to share in the vast riches lying under Oklahoma soil—if you ever expect to become independent—your opportunity is now—not this afternoon—not tomorrow—not next week—but right now.

A few dollars—\$10, \$25, \$50 or \$100 will scarcely be missed. It has the biggest chance now to earn great returns for you it will probably ever have. Get it into the mail at once. Get your Big Anticline stock cinched for the big day which seems so near at hand. That's my advice. You may thank me for it all your life if you accept it. Send it to Big Anticline Oil Company, 12th floor Colcord Bldg., Oklahoma City, Okla.

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RAILROAD NOTES

About 1,729 miles of railroads in the United States have been electrified to about 1,278 in all foreign lands. The extension of a branch of the Siberian railway for 500 miles has opened one of the world's greatest coal fields.

The interstate commerce commission has suspended from July 18 to Jan. 18 proposed increased switching charges at South Omaha, Neb.

The interstate commerce commission yesterday suspended until November 7 increases in freight rates on metal cylinders and cast-iron grate

bars, proposed by all the railroads in southern classification territory.

Approximately \$500,000 can be recovered by lumber shippers from Minnesota from the railroads operating in that state, if a decision filed by O. B. Lewis, judge of the district court at St. Paul is upheld by the higher courts.

The Chicago Railways company has declared a dividend of \$8 a share on the participation certificates, series 1, payable August 1 to holders of record July 18. The payment covers the year ending August 1 next.

Railroads carrying wool from Chi-

cago to points in Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa have been ordered by the interstate commerce commission to establish lower rates for carload shipments to permit shippers to compete with traffic from the east and middle west.

"Old Glory," purchased by employees of the shops of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway at Milwaukee, will soon be flying from a giant flag pole in the front yard of the company's plant in the Cream City. Dime contributions are being solicited by several of the workmen "from all who wish to show their love of country."

Lumber mills in Virginia and West Virginia, and lumber consuming concerns in New York, Pennsylvania and New England states, joined today in a complaint to the interstate commerce commission against freight rates on lumber out of Virginia and West Virginia. They claimed that a higher rate was maintained on soft wood from that territory than on hard wood to the same points of consumption, and that this was discriminatory against them.

Land grants given to several small railroads in the southwestern part of the United States more than a half century ago, many of which are now parts of much larger systems, are the cause of a traffic problem facing railroad men. In consideration of land grants given them the railroads contracted to carry troops, their equipment and supplies at less than the regular government rate. These old contracts are now said to be the cause of rate-making problems which have puzzled many railroad heads.

Unless conditions are contrary to reports which seem entirely trustworthy, the Russian government's order for from 600 to 1,000 locomotives is to be placed soon with the Canadian Locomotive company, which will probably sublet a greater part of the contract to builders in the United States. Thus far the locomotive interests in the United States have made no announcement regarding the matter.

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Value of Reading. There is perhaps nothing that has a greater tendency to decide favorably or unfavorably respecting a man's intellect than the question whether or not he be impressed with an early love of reading. Books gratify and excite our curiosity in innumerable ways. They force us to reflect. In a well-written book we are presented with the maturest reflections or the happiest flights of a mind of uncommon excellence. It is impossible that we can be much accustomed to such companions without attaining some resemblance to them.—William Godwin.

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